## TENNESSEE EDUCATION LOTTERY CORPORATION

### **Invitation to Bid**

## A. PURPOSE

The Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation ("TEL") is soliciting bids for the following services and/or products:

## **Cellular Phones and Related Services**

Minimum requirements for this Invitation to Bid (ITB) are defined in **Section G. SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.** 

## B. GENERAL INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE

This ITB has been issued on Wednesday November 26, 2003. Questions and requests for clarifications relating to this ITB should be directed to Jasmine Batth, who can be reached at:

Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation Plaza Tower MetroCenter 200 Athens Way Nashville, TN 37228 Telephone: 615-253-1108

Facsimile: 615-253-6886

Responses to this ITB are due no later than **5:00 p.m**. Central Standard Time (CST) on *Wednesday, December 3, 2003*.

## C. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The TEL prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, or disability in connection with employment of any person, or the award of any contract with the corporation.

The TEL will provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, gender, religion, national origin, or disability, by requiring that any firm doing business with the corporation provide equal opportunity to persons and businesses employed by, or contracting with the supplier of products and services to the Corporation.

## **D. MINORITY PARTICIPATION**

It is an overall objective of the TEL to encourage involvement by minority contractors and suppliers in business activities generated by the Corporation, while assuring that such activities will be conducted in accordance with all applicable laws. Furthermore, in accordance with the Act, it is the declared policy and intent of the Corporation to strive to

maximize participation of minority owned businesses to achieve a minimum participation of fifteen percent (15%) through all business contracting opportunities.

### E. NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS

The TEL does not intend to grant any entity the exclusive rights to provide all equipment, materials, and services required by the TEL during the period covered by any contract resulting from this ITB.

### F. ACCEPTANCE

The TEL reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bid responses, and to negotiate with any or all vendor(s) in any manner necessary to serve the Corporation's best interests.

## **G. SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

The Tennessee Education Lottery Corporation requires the following Goods or Services:

#### **Cellular Phones and Related Services:**

The corporation currently utilizes cellular phones and related services provided under a contractual agreement between the State of Tennessee and BellSouth. The bid responses should address the capability to maintain these existing cellular phone numbers, and associated costs, if any.

#### General

Total Quantity: 60

Contract Term: 12 – 24 months

Anytime call minutes per month: 400-500 Unlimited Weekend and Night minutes

Unlimited inbound text messages / short email

Handset replacement cost / insurance

Accessories:

Hands free attachment

Vehicle Charger

Desk Charger

Belt clip / holder

Handset Characteristics:

Standby battery charge 5 days minimum Talk Time battery charge 5 hours minimum

Easy to use keypad

Small size

# **Network Requirements**

Comprehensive network coverage of the State of Tennessee, including metropolitan and rural areas.

Sufficient capacity to avoid or prevent fast busy or no circuit available call failures.

# **Desirable Options**

(Should be quoted separately if cost not included in base bid)

3G network capabilities GPS capabilities